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NOTICE

This is a notice regarding your request, filed March 14, 2007, for acceptance of a fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28.

The Office no longer investigates or rejects original or reissue applications under 37 CFR 1.56. 1098 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 502 (January 3, 1989). Therefore, nothing in this Notice is intended to imply that an investigation was done.

Your fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28 is hereby **ACCEPTED**.

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It is noted that a power of attorney was received on April 19, 2007. However, the power of attorney is unacceptable since it fails to satisfy the provisions of 37 CFR 3.73(b). In this regard, the power of attorney by assignee fails to set forth the chain of title from the inventor to the present assignee. Further, the power of attorney by assignee fails to state the reel and frame number of the recorded assignment.

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